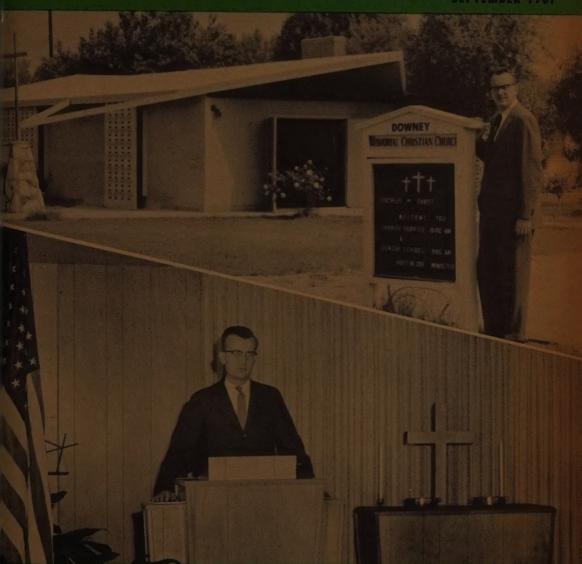
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# EDITORIAL

Strange that in any experience each of us finds something different. Or is it so strange?

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A group is given a responsibility. Its members join mind and spirit in developing ideas; how to present them. They try to anticipate the result among persons who will detect only some results of their extended search. The evolvers know they cannot achieve every good purpose; in doing their best they must find genuine satisfaction.

Another group sees only the public presentation, the refinements of the often laborious reachings of the evolvers. From slogans, brief descriptions of what to expect, and previous similar experiences they join only as recipients. Different from those who have conceived, fostered and elaborated an idea, the recipients can respond only partially. They express appreciation for what they catch as they wish for something they missed which would have met what they thought was their keen need of the hour.

Two months after the experience what do we receive the experience what do we received.

Two months after the experience what do we recall? What it was? What it wasn't? Were we ready for something to happen in us, or did we simply expose ourselves to surface impressions? If "it" didn't sink in deeply, why?

#### Who Are You?

In the sharp struggle between pagan secularism and Christianity, we who call ourselves Christians are so dependent as to frighten ourselves. Dependent upon God, on one another. Dependent on understanding the motives of others; on our being led by most Christlike motives. Dependent on learning, bit by bit; on teaching by our own consistent behavior as well as speech. Dependent on expecting to receive an advantage insight; quick to share our life-meaning with another searcher.

In the community of the congregation-the Church, the fellowship of the redeemed--values must come alive now in proportion and power to

to us witnesses as never before

"The Nature of the Church -- The Hand of God." Virgil Sly showing us some of the world in which we have unique, specific responsibility, paralleling our campaigns for comfortable complacency. Responsibly chosen and ready-to-work delegates grinding away on relative trivia, chorusing, "Next year give us real grist!" What is God's will for me - for us?

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# FROM MID-CENTURY TO CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

by Russell Hensley Secretary, Church Development

Let's talk about the Downey Memorial Christian Church, the first experiment in the new strategy of church development which has been carried on by the Christian Churches of Southern California, since 1958. The Area, through its new program, gives what help is needed and available and the local congregation does the rest. A live,

hriving church is the result.

One man, Jack Robinson, (pictured on the cover by the church bultetin board), saw the need for a new Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Downey and petitioned the Area Office for help. Three oeople from the community plus the Area representatives came to the first meeting. It was decided to make a beginning and Louis Mayo was was appointed as the minister for about one month. Mrs. Ada Harsin, Area Children's Work Secretary, helped with the teaching. A small group responded. A calling "blitz" was organized with workers from the surrounding Christian Churches. This gave the church an excellent potential for growth.

After the first month, Lewis Eloe was installed as the interim minister to work with the church part time. This arrangement lasted for two years. During his ministry the church grew from a small beginning to a membership of about seventy. Property was purchased on Florence Avenue for the future buildings, and a fine group of dedicated leaders

vere trained to extend the Kingdom.

In April 1960, Austin Coe (pictured on cover behind pulpit) came from Cleveland, Ohio, to be the first permanent, full-time, minister. The membership was evaluated and reduced to fifty-two and the year's giving of about \$6,000 was noted. Programs of stewardship, evangelism, and world outreach were launched. A building program was projected. The results are outstanding.

From a budget of \$6,000 to \$8,000 a year ago, the congregation, now numbering 146, has just underwritten a budget for the year 1961-62 of over \$28,000. A goal of 20% for world outreach has been realized. By January of 1962, the church will be at complete self-support. This is very commendable when it is realized that the congregation makes a payment of \$508 per month on the property.

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Of the \$85,000 investment in the property, the Area organization made a gift of \$15,000. As soon as it is possible, this congregation plans to make a \$15,000 contribution to another church, so they may have the same opportunity for advancement that was given to the

Downey church.

There is one house and two additional buildings on the property of the Downey Memorial Christian Church. An addition was made to the lovely home which serves as a chapel and seats 125 persons. Nine classrooms have been provided as other remodeling has been completed. The newest project is to purchase and remodel another building for educational purposes. This Fall the major program for a permanent sanctuary will be launched. To this date, the church has spent approximately \$110,000 for property and improvements and yet has continued to share in the percentage goals set for world outreach.

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God has blessed the Downey Memorial Christian Church because they have "asked in accordance with His will." Many churches could follow the philosophy of the Downey Memorial Christian Church - "We dedicate ourselves to build His Kingdom here, as we support the world-

wide mission of the church."

Downey Memorial Christian Church was selected as a pime example of the "new strategy for new churches" for this article and is also featured on the cover.

# **ECHOES FROM**

EDEN

Who was it that said, "A rose is a rose is a rose?" Most of us might accept this, but I wonder how we would go for a little paraphrase, "A sin is a sin is a sin." It is both amusing and alarming how often folks create new names for old sins. (If you want to try an unvamished list, check Mark 7:21f or Galatians 6:19f). The Bible is so embarrassingly blunt. See how we "tone down" most of our sins and try to make them acceptable. Take "covetousness" for example. There is a trait no one wants to be tagged with. But "ambition" is perfectly acceptable. Often it is the same vicious thing. . . simply a lust for possession, which says, "I want it, I must have it; therefore, I will get it." And so the "successful man" works things 'til he gets it and millions admire him for it.

Sin has many aliases. We can call "deceit" clevemess and "slander" gossip. We slough off "evil thoughts" as good jokes and "fornication" under the guise of sexual experimentation. Excitement can cover a lot of "wickedness" and status is much more acceptable than "pride". For "cowardice", we can substitute prudence and tact for "timidity". With little trouble, we can cover "strife", "jealousy", "anger", "selfishness" and "dissention" under "standing up for my rights."

Remember the Prodigal Son.
Leaving home was merely his declaration of independance. Riotous living became "seeing life."
The pigpen was "hard luck." Finally he "came to himself" and began to call things by their right names. The first honest word was "Father, I have sinned."

Eve and I tried to kid ourselves in the garden. It didn't work. Have you been kidding yourself lately?

Yours.

ADAM

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#### SSEMBLY OFFICERS



The officers of the 1962 Area Assembly met in San Diego on July 11 for the initial meeting. Pictured left to right are: Thomas Gibbs, president; Dr. James Parrott, executive secretary; Mrs. Russell Washburn, vice-president; Heber Pitman, vice-president; M. Clifford Cole, recorder. Wales Smith, program chairman, was also present. Tentative dates for the Assembly are May 24-26.

#### A VICE PREXY AT BRITE

Claude Weingand, a member of First Christian in Burbank, now preparing for the ministry at Texas Christian University, has been elected vice president of the Seminary Student Body at Brite College of the Bible there. He will be in charge of all programs for the Homiletic Guild. His wife, Margaret, recently was in-stalled as president of the Minis-ters' Wives Club.

#### ROBERT BALL NEW DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND PLANNING

Robert D. Ball, a specialist in church planning, has been appointed the director of the Joint Department of Research and Planning for the Los Angeles Federation and the Southern California Council of Churches. Mr. Ball will direct the department's research on population trends, guide the cooperative planning processes for the placement of churches, and represent the churches united in the Federation and the Council in their attempts to cooperate with city and county planning commissions.

A native Californian, Mr. Ball is

a graduate of the Southern California School of Theology in Claremont and recently has served as a research and survey worker for churches both in the West and the Middle West.

A member of the Southern California Annual Conference of the Methodist Church, Mr. Ball began his duties on July 1.

#### **NEW OFFICERS INSTALLED FOR** MINISTERS AND MINISTERS' WIVES

When the final meeting of the Southern California Ministers and Ministers' Wives was held at the California Christian Home on June 13, Dr. Myron C. Cole, pastor of the Hollywood-Beverly Christian Church, conducted the installation service for the new officers at the request of the retiring president, R. Lee Pryor.

Ministers' Wives Association will be led this year by Mrs. Harry Nissen as the president; Mrs. Leslie Lowrey, vice president; Mrs. C. N. Barber, Jr., secretary, and Mrs. Melvin Laven, treasurer.

Samuel D. McLean, the minister of the First Christian Church in Riverside, is the new president of the Ministers' Association, while Jerry Mc-Harg of San Diego serves as vice president and Larry Hixon of All Peoples Community Center will carry the responsibility of secretary

#### PREACHES AT INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

One of the morning sermons in the Kansas City Convention will be preached by Gilford E. Olmsted, for-mer minister of the First Christian Church in San Bernardino. Already Mr. Olmsted has taken up his new work with the Countryside Christian Church in Mission, Kansas.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WOMEN IN QUADRENNIAL ASSEMBLY LEADERSHIP

Southern California C.W.F. sent 60 women delegates to the Purdue Quadrennial Assembly; of these, 34 women were helping in leadership capacities. Leading "Let's Talk About It" groups were Mrs. Anderson Barnes and Mrs. Lucile Shaffer, These discussion groups met every afternoon to consider choices which confront women today. Mrs. E. J. Jackson led a "Meet The People" group. These groups had informal conversations with program speakers, agency leaders, missionaries, nationals from mission countries and fraternal delegates. The GIFT SHOP committee had as chairman, Mrs. W. H. Fonger of Los Angeles. More than 5,500 items, from every country where chusches have mission work, were on

Southern California was represented also in other categories of leader ship: hostesses for missionaries and nationals; missionary fellowship room hostesses; choir, ushers, gift shop, communion service, exhibits, post-office and residence hall hostesses.

The Quadrennial will be brought back to Southern California by teams of delegates going to local Fellowships and the districts, presenting programs during the month of October.

#### "WEDDING VOWS"

Minister Earl Christofferson re-peated his "Wedding Vows" service on June 18. Prior to that time he asked that all couples who had been married forty years or more leave their names at the office of the East San Diego Christian Church, These couples also were asked to write a brief letter expressing what they felt to be the most important ingredient in a happy mar-

#### PASTOR HONORED AT ARCADIA

The members of the congregation of the Arcadia Christian Church, met the evening of June 28 to show their appreciation to Rev. Willard C. Dorsey for almost seven years of faithful service. Mr. Dorsey's resignation became final on June 30.

A program was presented, using home talent of all ages. The secre-tary of the Official Board had carefully scanned the 82 months records of the pastor and reported the total 350 additions to the church during

this period.

In recognition of Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey's devoted service to the church and as an expression of deep appreciation, a "Money Tree" was presented to them, enabling them to select a gift of their own choosing.

#### EW UNIT AT WESTCHESTER

With ground having been broken mid-Summer, Westchester Chrisan Church in Los Angeles looks forard to the use of a new youth center ithin a few months. They hope that heir new facilities will be in use by thristmas and be dedicated on the 8th anniversary of the church, Janury 14, 1962. Tom Gibbs and Hayvood Pritchett share the ministerial eadership.

#### ETERNITY

A helpful pamphlet entitled "Eternity" is available to churches, giving a documented answer to the accusanion against the National Council of Churches as well as to many of the attacks on the Revised Standard Version of the Bible as to its communistic infiltration. Copies of this pamphlet may be secured from the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., 475 Riverside Drive, New York 27, New York.

# NBC'S "GREAT CHOIRS OF AMERICA"

NBC's "Great Choirs of America" presented the choirs of a Christian Church and a Disciples of Christian telated college in four summer programs. The Hollywood-Beverly Christian Church Choir sang on July 2 and 9 and on August 20 and 27 the Chapman College Choir appeared on the network show.

#### THAT WE ALL MAY BE ONE

James Turner, pastor of the Camile Christian Church in Santa Ana, re-ports that in recent months a small group of women have been meeting every Thursday morning for what they affectionately call "our class" or the "prayer therapy group." Beginning with a quiet time and meditation, the group then uses the Bible and other materials as resources, with the women discussing the matters which are of most concern to them. As the pastor has led the group, he noted that they have agreed to an elementary discipline: to study and pray onehalf hour each day, to pray for each other, and also attend every Thurs-day meeting possible. "We are helped to 'face and love ourselves' that we may love others. I cannot tell you specific details, but I can assure you that my heart has been full as again and again different members of the group account for the work of God in their lives. There has been failure, too, but we have been learning to accept it and triumph over it, concludes Mr. Turner.

# UNUSUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MINISTERS AND WIVES

Again, this Fall, a Workshop on Group Life in the Church will be held at Loch Leven, for ministers and their wives. Giving particular attention to group dynamics, a faculty of skilled leaders from across the nation will be lead by Dr. George Oliver Taylor, The United Christian Missionary Society. The dates are Monday aftemoon, October 30, until Saturday noon, November 4.

#### NEW LADY WITH LEAVELLS

Lynn Nora Leavell was born to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Leavell on July 26. Mr. Leavell is serving as associate minister with Harry Nissen, pastor, at Glendora.

#### SOCIAL WELFARE PROGRAM

Under the guidance of the Department of Social Welfare and Community Service, the Coachella Valley Christian Church has been providing an unusual program for the Japanese farm laborers in the area. Each week seven workers come to the church and meet with members of the congregation to study English conversation. The program has not only been an aid to the workers but a source of real enthusiasm and friendship for the members of the church. The study is conducted entirely in English, but the pastor, David Kagiwada, is on hand to explain any difficult phrases. Mrs. Lester Cox, chairman of the sponsoring department, served as coordinator.

The workers follow the crops and will move to Santa Maria and Bakersfield area.

#### A MODERN DAY MIRACLE

Friday evening the Roig family, which included three children, arrived at Temple City from Buenos Aires. Mrs. Roig is a graduate of Colegio Internacional in Asuncion, Paraguay. The Roigs, now Baptists, had been promised a home and employment for the senior Roig in Southern California, yet when they arrived there was no job, no home, and illness enroute found this non-English speaking family practically destitute. Fortunately, Mrs. Roig had the ad-

Fortunately, Mrs. Roig had the address of a sister of Agnes Fishback Lessley, a Disciple missionary in South America. Through this contact the Temple City Disciples immediately "adopted" the family. By Wednesday morning, a home was rented, the church had fully furnished it, stocked the pantry with a month's supply of groceries, and found employment for Mr. Roig. Harold Cooper of the Temple City Christian Church says with especial pride that both new as well as old members of the church cooperated with enthusiasm.

Witness, if you will, God's love performing a modern miracle through the willing hands and minds of faithful children.

#### PICTORIAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The new directory of the membership of First Christian Church in Santa Monica will include not only names, addresses and telephones, but the pictures of family groups or individuals. In a letter to the membership, presented by Dr. Wales E. Smith, pastor, and John Young, associate pastor, the action of the Official Board was reported, indicating that all photographs will be in vivid, natural color.



Left to right-- Two Japanese students and their tutors, Mrs. Lowell Mahaffey, Lemuel Bonilla, and Mrs. William Elliott in the Coachella Valley Church's English conversation group.

# Book Review



"New Life in the Church".

## Robert A. Raines

Reviewed by
Dr. John Paul Pack, Minister
Wilshire Christian Church
Los Angeles, California

This book was written to share the experience of one congregation whose minister is sure that they have recovered the mission of Christ in the world. It is a thrilling story of people who, in Bible study, prayer and sharing, have discovered who they are as Christians and what their mission

In declaring the necessity of conversion, Mr. Raines says, "Liberal Protestantism has left the field of conversion to the fundamentalists." He thinks we have taken refuge in the staid, comfortable, total unbiblical notion of what may be called "osmosis Christianity," the optimistic assumption that people soak up the Christian faith by living in a Christian environment. The New Testament doctrine is not justification by faith. We must be born again and again and again. He delineates the conversion process - awakening, decision, discipline and growth - with special emphasis on Koinonia, the fellowship in Christ which requires personal participation and mutual sharing. "It is not coincidence that there were 12 disciples, not 120 or 1200, but 12 - a small group with whom Jesus could share deep fellowship." Mr. Raines shares a strategy for Koinonia groups based upon his own experience. It is clear and commanding. A careful study of this excellent book by Elders, Deacons and the general leadership of the church could bring new creation to the churches, the changing of lives and a recovery of Christian mission.

This book may be purchased from The Bethany Bookstore, Los Angeles. Price: \$3.00.

#### A BUILDING PREPARES TO DIE

by Chester A.Rice, minister Beaumont, California

It is not easy to prepare for death. I am just 46 years of age but I happen to know that I am not long for this world. Reports of my coming demise have been heard from here and there. The secret, if it has been intended as a secret, has not been very well kept. Some are talking about certain details quite openly. There are some who appear rather aggressive and are even anxious that my death come soon.

Possibly I should explain. I am a church building. My beginning is dated in the year 1915. A Presbyterian congregation was responsible for my erection. I served their needs for 18 years.

In 1933 a new congregation came into my halls as tenant. A young church group known as Disciples of Christ took ownership and put up their name over my doors. It seems that they began as a congregation in May of the year 1910 under the leadership of Harvey Hazel. Using a tent, later a home and other meeting places, the group grew until 1922 when, with J. W. Utter's leadership, they built a new little building on California Street in Beaumont.

Finally, in 1933 this lively church family made an offer to the Presbyterian folks and a sale was made. These new owners have used my facilities through the years. Such men as Stanley N. Bond, John Wells, Hoffman Hurley, Harry Dirks, Robert Dougherty, L. C. Anderson, W. A. Hixon, Claude Jones and Frank Wodell have preached from my pulpit as ministers to the congregation. At present Chester A. Rice is the minister. It appears that he may be the last. This is, if plans proceed for me to be replaced it will be so.

The members of the church have recently purchased a piece of ground, 3-1/2 acres I think. They plan to erect a beautiful new plant which will provide much better facilities than I have been able to furnish. I am happy that plenty of classrooms will be included. I know that this is the reason the congregation has not had a larger Church School enrollment down through the years. There are many things which will be an improvement over my out-dated style. But, I am not ashamed! I make my exit gracefully and filled with deep satisfaction. Many, many fine experiences have been shared in my sanctuary and a number of dandy young people have gone out to serve a larger community in a more capable manner because of the inspiration which they received.

It is my pleasure and honor to have served the congregation of the First Christian Church of Beaumont. In some ways I am a bit reluctant to say my farewell. Yet, with joyful

#### GOING ABROAD?

Many church people who travel abroad add purpose to pleasures of sightseeing by visiting overseas refugee relief and service centers. A booklet entitled, "Going A-

A booklet entitled, "Going Abroad?" has been prepared to show travelers what happens to food, clothing, medicines, vitamins and other relief supplies given through Church World Service. Any member of a Christian Church who is planning a trip to Asia, Europe, Africa, the Near East, Latin America or the Caribbean will find the booklet a helpful guide to centers where Week of Compassion gifts are being put to use.

The booklet, "Going Abroad?" is available free of charge in limited quantity through Week of Compassion, Box 19036. Indianapolis 19. Indiana.

#### A THUMBNAIL SKETCH

A Thumbnail Sketch of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ)

— a new pocket-size booklet that gives a concise but surprisingly complete survey of brotherhood life—should be a versatile public relations aid.

Because its 12 pages are loaded with interesting facts about the Christian Churches, the publication should be ideal for distribution to new or prospective church members. It covers the brotherhood's history, characteristic beliefs, practices and cooperative work. Applications of A Thumbuail Sketch will be limited only by the imagination of its users.

Published by the Department of Church Development of the United Christian Missionary Society, the little brown booklet is available from The Bethany Bookstore, 3114 Los Feliz Boulevard, Los Angeles 39, at 5 cents per copy, 45 cents per dozen or \$3.25 per 100.

#### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Bob Reid and Nancy Breihan of Redlands have announced their engagement to be married, though no wedding date has been set. Bob, a graduate of Chapman College and a seminary student at Southem California School of Theology, serves as a minister of youth at State Street Christian Church at Redlands. His fiance is a junior at Chapman College, majoring in elementary education.

memories and a real prayer for future success to the fine congregation that has been so close to me, I am willing to be torn down that the Gospel might be preached more effectively and an adequate church home be furnished for those who are part of God's great family.

#### DISTRICT FUNCTIONAL INSTITUTES

The District Fall Functional Institutes in 1961 will again feature concenated training for the local church functional program. Every member of the ollowing local church departments are encouraged to attend: Membership, orship and Fine Arts, Christian Education, Evangelism, World Outreach, hristian Action and Community Service, and Stewardship and Finance. Special helps will be given to members of the departments above as they ace the responsibilities which make each department a more effectual part f the local church. All members of these departments should plan to be preent at the Institute in his District.
Following are the dates and places for the Institutes:

ISTRICT	PLACE	DATE	TIME
oastal	Santa Maria	September 17	3:00 p.m.
	Ventura, First	September 18	7:30 p.m.
an Fernando-Kern	White Chapel, Burbank	September 15	7:30 p.m.
	Bakersfield, First	September 16	7:30 p.m.
an Gabriel Valley	El Monte	September 18, 19, 25, 26	7:30 p.m.
etropolitan	Highland Park	September 20	7:30 p.m.
	Santa Monica, First	September 21	7:30 p.m.
an BernRivSo. Nev.	Ontario	September 24	7:30 p.m.
larbor-Bay	East Side, Long Bch.	September 17	6:30 p.m.
Prange	Orange, First	September 17	7:00 p.m.
an Diego	University, S. D.	September 17	4:00 p.m.
nperial	Brawley	September 24	3:00 p.m.

#### IEW BOOKS FROM BETHANY

LIGHT FOR DARK DAYS is a new volume of short inspirational mesges written by J. Clyde Wheeler Oklahoma City's Crown Heights Christian Church.

A printed guide on the care and guidance of very young children in Church School is found in TOD-DLERS AT CHURCH of which Jessie 3. Carlton is the author.

#### 9 OUT OF 125

A summertime check discloses that groups of Christian Church people in Southern California have seen the interpretive filmstrip, "Reaching Out Together," which shows the work of all the cooperating causes in Unified Promotion. Is your church one of

Helpful in a number of ways, the filmstrip can be secured through the Area Office Department of Christian

Education.





**VENTURA BREAKS GROUND** 

Pictured above, left to right:

Ned Romine, minister; John Wiebers, Building Fund Chairman; Robert Fox Building Committee chairman; Ronald Warren, minister of Christian Education; A. A. Robinson, chairman of Trustees.

On July 23, 1961, at 10:45 a.m., the First Christian Church of Ventura broke ground for new buildings at the corner of Telegraph Road and Teloma Drive.

The first educational unit of the new building will be completed sometime in December, and the sanctuary will be ready by the first of March,

#### NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Civilian International Service Clubs recently chose George W. Crain as its chaplain for 1961-62, Mr. Crain is pastor of Bethany Christian Church in Pasadena.



HUNTINGTON PARK, First-Dr. Le-Vern Freeman, minister, has announced that the Bethany Choir director and several members of the congregation will be happy to call at any home on a given afternoon from 2:00 until 3:30 to share a "Hymn" program.

NORTH LONG BEACH CHRISTIAN -Robert M. McKinney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed McKinney of this congregation, has been selected by President Kennedy to be Ambassador to Swit-

CHULA VISTA, First-The members of the church were asked to bring back a church bulletin from the various cities where they attend church during their vacations. The bulletin will be placed on a map which previously was located in the vestibule.

**EAGLE ROCK** - The Eagle Rock Christian Church was the scene of the ordination of Henry LeRoy Kirk on June 4. Participating in the service was the minister of the Eagle Rock Church, Rolla Grimm; former ministers Otto Lee and Harry Hill; and Dr. Paul Culbertson, Dean of the Nazarene College where Mr. Kirk graduated.

ARLINGTON, July 16 - The Arlington Christian Church broke ground for its new building venture at the corner of Hole Avenue and Mobley. Minister Billy B. Weeda was joined in leading the ceremony with Dr. Ewart Wyle of La Jolla preaching.

DELHAVEN - Wedding Anniversary congratulations were recently extended to Rev. and Mrs. O.A. Tolliver and Mr. and Mrs. Jarold Paulson of the Delhaven Christian Church. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wolfe observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

BRAWLEY, First - Although not a member of the Christian Church, Chester Thompson of the White Cross Pharmacy in Brawley, has supported John and Mabel Ross of Congo whenever possible by sending medicines at his own expense.

Recently the minister, Ed Pollard, worked out an agreement with Mr. Thompson, whereby the church would bear the expense of the postage on the medicines, much of which is sent by air and must be well packed.

#### 1921 CONFEREES



Pictured above are delegates who attended the first summer conference in Southern California in 1921. Left to right: Dr. Leland Jones, Mrs. Leland Jones, Dr. Royal J. Dye, Mrs. Edgar Lloyd Smith, and Willard Learned.

# STAFF REDUCTIONS BRING REORGANIZATION

As the Fall begins, the staff serving the Christian Churches in Southem California through their Area Office has been reduced because of inadequate income. Two field staff were terminated in recent months as were two office secretarial positions. For many years Southern California work has been subsidized by the Christian Board of Publication which provided \$3,500 each year in the Department of Christian Education. Not all states received this aid, and Christian Board changed its policy in the use of this money to provide what it believes is more equitable help to the entire Brotherhood. The loss of this income made impossible a replacement for Mrs. Ada Harsin who worked principally with adult leaders of children. The Department of Christian Education now is developing a procedure for providing leadership for children's workers on a different basis than in the past.

The position of Secretary for Evangelism and Stewardship also has been discontinued. James Warren came on the Area staff to serve the churches in early 1960 with the office supported financially in part by gifts from individuals. Those gifts were not expected to continue beyond June 30, 1961. When offerings from the churches during the past year reached 85% of what might have been received from Unified Promotion, the office could not be continued.

As the Board of Directors voted to close this position, it recognized that by 1963 someone should be made available to work in stewardship again. The service of Mr. Warren has strengthened the churches substantially and there will be a carryover for a time.

The Department of Business and Finance held four meetings in preparing the Southern California budget for 1961-62. All departments together requested \$31,000 more at the outset than may be available. When this amount was cut out by sharp surgery, all the office secretaries accepted a principal relation to a secretarial pool: two office secretarial positions were dropped and a new position in production was established.

Beyond reducing the staff and establishing a secretarial "pool" every department, including staff and non-staff, was called on to seek ways of better performing its service. This calls for continuing evaluation and reorganization.

As disappointment is noted in the Southland, every churchman needs remember that on the national and world stage the work of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), also was crippled last year because the offerings among these churches was 85% of what might reasonably be expected.

The Board of Directors believes that the service planned for 1961-62 is within probable income. If this is not realized, further reductions in services will be necessary as quickly as a trend can be seen.

The Board, the departments and all staff are committed to doing as inclusive and meaningful work as possible in each area of responsibility for Christ and the Church.

# MC LEAN AT FORT WORTH

President Samuel D. McLean, of the Disciples Seminary Foundation, in late July attended the regular meeting of the members of the Board of Higher Education of the Christian Churches in Fort Worth, Texas at Texas Christian University.

Mr. McLean is the minister of the First Christian Church of Riverside.

#### **COMING EVENTS**

Aug. 25-	
Sept. 4	S.O.Y. Pack Trip
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Sept. 2-9	
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Sept. 7	Children's Work Comm.
Sept. 8	Social Action Dept.
Sept. 9	C.M.F. Executive
Sept. 10	S.O.Y. Executive
Sept. 10 Sept. 11	C.W.F. Executive
Sept. 14	Training, Adult Comm.
	District Institute
Sept. 15	District Institute
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Sept. 16	District Institute
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Sept. 16	B.P.W. Executive
Sept. 16,17	M.A.F. Fall Conference
Sept. 17	M.A.F. Fall Conference Nat'l. "Look at Youth"
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Sept. 18,19	District Institute
	San Gabriel Valley
Sept. 19	Board of Directors
Sept. 19	New Church Advance
Sept. 20	Churchman's Foundation
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#### KNOWI

Sept. 29

Morris Bigbee, pastor at White Chapel at Burbank, tells about the pulpit exchange last Spring on the day of the District Assemblies. Dt. D. W. McElroy of First Church of Bakersfield had preached at White Chapel that morning.

1961 INT'L. ASSEMBLY

When Mrs. McElroy met Mr. Bigbee at the District Assembly at Central Church in Glendale that afternoon, she told of her uneasiness and worty during the service that morning at White Chapel. Out in the congregation she had studied the order of service and found that on the very day when the minister was away they just would leave out the offering! Her apprehension continued until the close of the service when announcement was made that there were offering boxes in the entry ways, and the congregation was invited to express its stewardship in this way!

# OKING TOWARD POSSIBLE

he Council on Christian Unity
the Christian Churches expressed
satisfaction over the move which
I enable the United Church of
tist to enter conversations looking
vard possible union of the two
urches. William Jackson Jatmon of
ampaign, Illinois, is the President
the Council with George G. Beaz7, Jr., the Executive Secretary.
he resolution passed by the GenIl Senate of the United Church of
rist asks its commission to enter
to unity conversations with the
ristian Churches "at the earliest
tually convenient time."

#### ELHAVEN REPORTS GROWTH

The Delhaven Christian Church, Lauente, held a "Faith in Action" impaign during the past summer tich marked real growth in Christian stewardship and will result rentually in additional education tildings and a new sanctuary.

Over 100 new members became a art of the fellowship at Delhaven tring the past year.

# COND ANNIVERSARY

The First Christian Church of Morro ay observed its second anniverity on June 11. George Rhoades, airman of the General Board, was charge of the occasion. Mrs. L. Wise, historian, gave a resume the past two year's work of the turch. Mrs. M. C. Lowrey presented original poem called, "The Church eaks." Rev. and Mrs. Ben Hageliger have been serving this fine

#### EEK OF THE MINISTRY

Under the theme, "The Church and e High Calling," the annual obserince of the Week of the Ministry suggested for October 8-15. etters have gone from the Pension and to ministers encouraging them plan significant observances.

While the material and suggestions are come to the ministers themelves, the Week of the Ministry ould take on an even finer meaning the lay leadership of the church

the lay leadership of the church ere to offer to help with the obserance. This could be of particular alue to young people who are conidering a church vocation.

## NEWS

# REPORTS FROM

#### FACULTY CHANGES

Dr. Virgil McPherson, head of the division of Social Sciences, and Dean of the Faculty from 1945-1957, has resigned to become professor of Education at Adams State College in Alamoso, Colorado.

Mr. Paul H. Demaree, Director of the Evening College and Summer School, retired on June 30. He will be succeeded by Dr. Leo M. Thomas, Dean of Instruction at Nebraska State Teachers College.

#### SEARLE RECEIVES DOCTORATE



Dr. Henry Searle, State Sectretary for Oregon, pictured left, received a doctorate from Chapman College during the June Commencement. Right is Dr. John L. Davis, president of Chapman College.



#### SPICER ENDOWMENT FUND

Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Spicer, who have served so many churches in Southern California, especially as interim minister during the past few years, have established a permanent endowment fund at Chapman College. This fund will be known as The Rev. William E. and Hattie G. Spicer Permanent Endowment Fund. The annual income from this fund, like the Dr. Royal J. and Eva N. Dye Fund will provide funds for maintaining a Chair of Religion at Chapman College.

Friends of the Spicers are invited to add to this fund as the Spicers themselves plan to do from time to time.

Chapman College is glad to help perpetuate in memory, the names of honored and beloved churchmen who have served the church well.

#### LOOKING AT THE FALL SEMESTER

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A permanent Honors Program planned to meet the needs of the superior student, and to encourage high scholastic achievement, has been approved by the Chapman College Faculty and will begin this Fall.

The new program, formulated following an experimental program during the past year, will have as its basic aspects independent study and seminar sessions. Three types of academic recognition are already in effect. They are Honors at Entrance, The Dean's List, published each semester, and Graduation with Honors.

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#### NORTH HOLLYWOOD DAY CAMP ON FIELD TRIP



Pictured above are leaders and boys and girls of the Day Camp group from the First Christian Church, North Hollywood, after a field trip visit to the Area Office.

# SUMMER SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES AT NORTH HOLLYWOOD

First Christian Church in North Hollywood last summer offered two opportunities for different age children, four days a week. Ages 3-1/2 through the 3rd grade were in the vacation church school, while 4th, 5th and 6th graders were in the Day Camp. Vacation school was in the forenoon, while the Day Camp included six hours each day.

Other churches will be encouraged to know that the \$3.00 a child fee for the vacation school and the \$7.00 a child fee for the Day Camp made it possible for a more meaningful experience to be planned for the children, including a wider variety of growth opportunities than otherwise might be possible.

# OFFERING FOR AGED MINISTERS

The practice of receiving an offering during the Area Assembly to be used to meet the emergency needs of retired ministers, their wives, or widows has been followed many years in Southern California. The offering received at the Communion Service on June 25, amounted to \$739.16.

Thanks comes from Dr. Hollis L. Turley, President of the Pension Fund, and that appreciation is relayed to every member of the churches whose gift made this possible.

#### "F" DAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Christian Youth Fellowships across the nation will observe Look at Youth Day on September 17, 1961. With the introduction of FOCUS and TACK, the new publications replacing the P.M. Pack and Fellowship annuals, youth groups will be asked to look at themselves as a Christian Youth Fellowship. The new materials will help groups to understand their function as the youth of the Church, and ideas will be given as to better ways of witnessing for God as a youth fellowship.

Watch for detailed information about "F" Day, and be sure to order the new FOCUS and TACK for your group.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

Organist, attending U.S.C. Law School this Fall, desires interim or permanent job in a Christian Church in the Los Angeles area. He is a member of Bakersfield First Christian Church, is active in all phases of church work and has just finished pre-law work at Chapman College. Available in September; would consider any Christian Church within 20 miles of U.S.C. that has an adequate organ and music program. Contact - Thomas H. Russell, 942 W. 34th, Los Angeles 7, California.

#### LEADERS IN NEW POSITIONS

Paul D. Kennedy is serving as the minister ad interim at the Arcadi. Christian Church.

On September 17, T. W. Jolly, on Norman, Oklahoma, will become the paster of the First Christian Churcin San Bernardino.

Larry McHarg completed his B.D work at Princeton in early June, wa ordained in the middle of the mont in Wichita, Kansas, and began hi ministry with the Artesia Christia Church in early July. He is th youngest of the three McHarg-preach er brothers; others are in Colorad Springs and San Diego at Kearn Mesa.

From the Board of Church Extension in Indianapolis, Harold Herndo returns in early September as the pastor at Fullerton First Christia Church.

Dr. Marshon DePoister is servin as the interim minister of the Cajo Valley Christian Church.

Robert Sargent, formerly the minster of the Vernonia, Oregon, Christian Church, arrived in Bell, Augus 1, where he will serve as ministe of Education with the pastor, Barret Whitely.

The Bella Vista Christian Churc in Monterey Park has James Dulane as its pastor. He came from Duncar ville, Texas, on August 15.

ville, Texas, on August 15.

Miss Joyce Thaman, on July 2, wa
installed as the Director of Christia
Education at the Huntington Par
Christian Church.

Tom Travis on July 15, began hi work as associate minister of Holly wood-Beverly Christian Church, recently having graduated from th University of Chicago. Formerly of Indianapolis, Robert Bock will begin his associate ministry with the church on September 15th. Dr. Myro Cole is the pastor.

#### PASTOR RESIGNS

Rolla Grimm has resigned the patorate of the Eagle Rock Christis Church, having terminated the relationship in late July.

#### **BUILDING DEDICATIONS**

It's new sanctuary and first un of an educational building will be dedicated by the Antelope Valle Christian Church at 4:00 p.m. of September 17. The congregation at Lancaster is led by Robert Moore First Christian Church in Orang announces the dedication of its new buildings on its new site Sundarfternoon, September 24. Dr. Georg Tolman is the minister.

# In California it's the Bethany Bookstore! CBP's "Window on the West Coast"

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NEW LIFE IN THE CHURCH,

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See review on page 6.

EPTEMBER 1961

# INSPIRATION POINT

# FULFILLMENT OF LIFE

The 90th Psalm is a beautiful expression of God as eternal, and it expresses, also, the brevity of the life of man. It is a song in which the singer recognizes the greatness and goodness of of God, and accepts graciously the fact that man is entirely dependent upon God for all that man is or becomes. The Psalmist seems to be thinking not only of the present day in which he lives, but also of a better and more glorious day that God may have in store for the faithful. In a part of that Psalm, the singer breathes his song as a prayer when he says, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

If we moderns were to couch that prayer in our own words we might say it like this: "Our Heavenly Father, teach us to cherish and guard each day of our life so that we may make it accountable by high and holy attainment."

God has given us a beautiful world in which to live, but how frequently that beauty is marred by lives that are not beautiful. Hatred -- greed -- lust -- strife -- inhumanity of man to man -- things that do not seem to fit into the texture of the beautiful things God has ordained and created. How sad to realize that man, by choosing the "low way" hinders and blackens the beauty of God's creation.

Perhaps the greatest need of our day is to come to the realization that goodness is not godliness. Every religious leader from Moses to Jesus and the disciples, realized that proper social etiquette and good morals were not Percy J. Furgeson Manager California Christian Home San Gabriel, California

in themselves sufficient to God unless there was also incorporated in the life an implicit and convincing faith in God as expressed in action.

Within the heart of all mankind is an anxious hope for a more abundant life which is to be. It is expressed differently according to particular religious faith. But there is still that hope! And for those of the Christian Faith there is a particular significance to this matter of Eternal Life. The soul of man cries out in pleading hope, and we would echo again the cry of the thief on the cross, "My Lord, remember me when thou comest into Thy Kingdom."

God is calling for leaders today as He always has. Calling for men and women, young men and young women. Calling for them to follow Him. Calling upon them to be witnesses to the Heavenly Way. Calling upon them to help rid the world of hatred and greed and lust and strife. Calling upon them to help keep God's world a beautiful world into which our children may come, and in which they will see the Spirit of God at work in human hearts.

"O God, help me to cherish and guard each day of my life so that it may express the beauty I find in Thee."

# Is It Time for Family Worship?

"A family is a family is a fam ilv" ... No two families are alike -- no two families will wor ship in the same way. We can se a pattern though. Families wit small children could begin by a awareness of God's presence We find Him in the play of a sma: child with baby kittens, in flower, in the music of birds, an the brightness of the stars. F a child to realize God has a pla for day to follow night, for ki tens to grow into cats, for flow ers to grow from seeds, is to child, worship. As these expetion and understanding, a praye of thankfulness is important.

To continue the pattern - fam lies must study as individua and as a unit. Rememberia Paul's advice to Timothy, 2 Tim othy 2:15; Study to present you self to God as one approved, workman who has no need to word of truth. (R.S.V.) "Bac to-school" is a time of beginning a new routine. A family with of er children might begin by stud ing together the Book of Act Taking turns reading 15 to minutes, allowing time for di cussion, is a meaningful worsh study the Bible together, we w relate our reading to today's e periences. This is important.

#### Handles for Family Worship

- 1. Keep an awareness of God presence through what we st and hear.
- 2. Create family worship experiences that will be meaningly such as reading together from the Bible.
- 3. Make memories of family
- 4. Encourage each child to pray

Mrs. Ray Mos Church School Superintendo Temple C

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- C. WEEK OF COMPASSION
- D. WORLD CONVENTION

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- C. AREA OFFICE BUILDING
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## WAY OUT ON A LIMB

Living in a Sycamore Tree isn't all it's cracke up to be. Oh, it's not so bad most of the time particularly in the summer when the warm, cleabreeze lulls this rather lazy tree-sitter into th delicious haziness of barely conscious dreamland or when the crowds are milling about in the stree below for some mysterious and almost siniste reason; then roosting in this precarious, if no downright dangerous, perch is more than bearable

But most of the time this limb living is for th birds. (I guess it is at that!) It was bad enough i Jericho. Some cluck of a caravan driver was al ways tying a disobedient donkey to the trunk o my sagging sycamore. But nowadays these ingen ious teeners have come up with a tricky little spor called carving initials-in-trunk-of-treeitis. Thi begins with Jr.'s shiny, new, scout knife wit which he massacres a tree just to try it out. The he gets a bit older and in cahoots with a flock of other short order hoodlums and carves the gang' name of "Bishops" or some other high soundin monicker in four inch letters. Now he's finall monicker in four inch letters. Now he's finall arrived and the gang's not much fun anymore. but that cute little blonde on the corner is, an it's not long until he's carving her initials jus below his and putting a big plus sign in the middl... and there they stand, looking at the bleedin tree trunk as if it were the tree of Life and Trut and all that's holy. because here he's said sh is special, and she's acknowledged the same. through the letters on the tree, through shy and loving glances, and awkward, gentle touch of hand they vow a simple, fragile love. and this is beautiful, this is being together. Soon the spewill break. off to the coke place, or the bagame, or a minature kind of golf. off to a movie or a party, or to Fellowship, or simply home. but what of tomorrow?

What of a world that demands to be faced whe

What of a world that demands to be faced whe what of a world that demands to be faced whe love must grow and trees are long forgotten... world of military training, going to college, an you have to know sex to be like the rest... a worl that says religion's for those who haven't anythin else to do, that asks what has faith to do wit living... that says, "you're too young to love, to young to care, to young to even think"... what's become when they client in some dark comes. to happen when they cringe in some dark corner afraid of life, disdained by others, threatened b parents, and preyed upon in movie, magazine an T.V. by every form of low morality.

Unless the church is there. . . unless fellowshi of people surround their crazy, growing path o awkward, honest love with warmth and wisdom with gentle, strong acceptance, with that atmos phere that helps them find their way with Him

Initials on a tree - the beautiful beginning of of a story yet untold. . . I wonder what the en

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